

From: [Reynolds, Mary](#)
To: [Hodoh, Ofia](#)
Cc: [Storm, Pamela](#); [Groendyke, Todd](#)
Subject: RE: FROM FEDERAL INMATE RHONDA FLEMING AT FCI - TALLAHASSEE IN FLORIDA
Date: Monday, August 16, 2021 5:13:00 PM
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Hey Ofia,

Attached is the draft version of the letter for Rhonda/Malik. I tried calling code enforcement and the prison systems. Code enforcement responded and said they only inspect private properties. When I call FCI Tallahassee, the line rings continuously with no option to leave a message. I was also unable to connect with the Florida Department of Corrections (but I assume since it's a federal prison, they won't be much help either). I put the contact info for IAQ team in Florida DPH, but they also won't be of much help. They usually provide the same information we do.

I'm at a loss of who to go to next. I don't have any contacts in Federal Bureau of Prisons and their website was not very helpful for specific people. Tallahassee code enforcement mentioned to talk to GSA if they are going to need a contractor, but again not the most helpful website for finding a direct contact. Let me know what you think and if your internet searches are more fruitful to finding someone we can connect them to.

Thanks!

Mary

From: Hodoh, Ofia <Hodoh.Ofia@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 9:34 AM
To: Reynolds, Mary <Reynolds.Mary@epa.gov>
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Hi Mary, have you contacted Pam Storm in ECAD on the asbestos portion of this inquiry?

V/R,

Ofia Hodoh, DrPH

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To: Reynolds, Mary <Reynolds.Mary@epa.gov>
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Mary,

Please coordinate with ECAD (Pam Storm, I think) on the asbestos portion.

Thanks,
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Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 1:44 PM
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Hofia....you all have the pen on this one. Please work with ECAD (Pam Storm, I think) on the asbestos portion. Thanks.

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Thanks!

From: Freeman, Caroline <Freeman.Caroline@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 8:25 AM

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Hi Carol,

Since the requestor mentioned the air quality/mold inside of the prison, ARD can take the lead on the response with ECAD's input about the asbestos allegation.

Thanks,
Caroline

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Caroline and Ken,

ECAD can provide language about the asbestos portion of the letter. We will work with FDEP on what the situation is regarding asbestos at the prison. I assume the email response may come from either division.

Thanks,
Carol

From: Blevins, John <Blevins.John@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 7:46 AM

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From: Malik King (b)(6)(b)(6)(b)(6)(b)(6)(b)(6)(b)(6)

Sent: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 12:56 AM

To: Blevins, John <Blevins.John@epa.gov>; Thomas-Burton, Tami <Thomas-Burton.Tami@epa.gov>

Subject: FROM FEDERAL INMATE RHONDA FLEMING AT FCI - TALLAHASSEE IN FLORIDA

To Whom It May Concern:

There are people I care about at FCI-Tallahassee, a federal women's prison. Your agency has

condemned several buildings due to the air quality being unsafe, with high levels of toxic mold and asbestos. I would like to know why inmates are still living in these buildings, 18 months or more, after your agency has filed reports stating the buildings are unsafe.

Please use your enforcement authority to remove inmates from these housing units. Many of them are very sick. At least 160 have filed tort claims with the Regional Counsel's Office for the Federal Bureau of Prisons, in Atlanta. The prison officials are aware of the problem and are doing nothing to protect the inmates.

Sincerely,

Malik